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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
9 **SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
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11 JAMES M. KINDER,

12 Plaintiff,

13 v.

14 HARRAH'S ENTERTAINMENT, Inc. and
15 DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,

16 Defendants.
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) Case No. 07 CV 2226 DMS (AJB)

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) Judge: Hon. Dana M. Sabraw
) Mag. Judge: Hon. Anthony J. Battaglia

) **PLAINTIFF JAMES M. KINDER'S**
) **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND**
) **AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF**
) **MOTION TO FILE FIRST AMENDED**
) **COMPLAINT**

) Date: January 25, 2008
) Time: 1:30 p.m.
) Place: Courtroom 10
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19 **I. INTRODUCTION**

20 TO THE COURT, ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD: PLEASE
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22 TAKE NOTICE THAT Plaintiff JAMES M. KINDER hereby submits this Memorandum of
23 Points and Authorities in Support of his Motion to File First Amended Complaint, adding
24 additional defendants.

25 **II. STATEMENT OF FACTS**

26 On October 2, 2007, Plaintiff commenced this action in San Diego Superior Court
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1 through his attorney, Chad Austin. On November 21, 2007, Defendant removed this action to
 2 this court based on diversity of citizenship. On November 30, 2007, Defendant filed a Motion to
 3 Dismiss, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure (FRCP) 12 (b) (2), (6), alleging that this
 4 court does not have personal jurisdiction over Defendant HARRAH'S ENTERTAINMENT, Inc.
 5 That motion is set to be heard January 7, 2008 at 10:30 a.m. in Courtroom 10.
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8 The 120 days after commencement of this action by which Plaintiff must have served all
 9 "Doe" defendants, pursuant to FRCP 4 (m) [if applied by the Court], is January 30, 2008.
 10 Therefore, if the relief sought herein is not granted, Plaintiff may forever lose the right to amend
 11 his complaint to add diverse defendants who are parties absolutely necessary to the full and final
 12 adjudication of Plaintiff's claims.
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14 III. AUTHORITY

15 Leave to amend "shall be freely given when justice so requires." FRCP 15 (a). See, also,
 16 Allen v. City of Beverly Hills, (9th Cir. 1990) 911 F2d 367, 373; Friedlander v. Nims, (11th Cir.
 17 1985) 755 F2d 810, 813. The policy favoring liberal granting of leave to amend serves the
 18 interests of judicial economy by allowing all possible claims against all necessary defendants to
 19 be heard together. It is clearly more efficient for the Court and all parties to allow a plaintiff to
 20 assert all causes of action against all necessary defendants together in the same proceeding. This
 21 laudable purpose would be served by allowing Plaintiff to file a First Amended Complaint, for
 22 reasons set forth below.
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IV. ARGUMENT

A. THERE ARE UNNAMED, DIVERSE “HARRAH’S” ENTITIES WHO ARE NECESSARY PARTIES TO THIS ACTION

As stated in the Declaration of Chad Austin, filed concurrently herewith, there are at least five (5) other Harrah’s entities that need to be named as defendants in order to fully and finally adjudicate Plaintiff’s claims in this action. Plaintiff has received 7 separate unlawful prerecorded telemarketing calls from Harrah’s entities [“Harrah’s Entertainment, Inc.” is the umbrella company for many different “Harrah’s” entities, several of which are necessary parties to this action in that the prerecorded telemarketing complained of herein relates to casinos owned by or operated by those various Harrah’s entities].

Plaintiff is informed and believes that the Harrah’s Rincon Casino is owned by the Rincon Band of Mission Indians and is operated by HARRAH’S ENTERTAINMENT, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and/or HARRAH’S OPERATING COMPANY, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and/or HARRAH’S MARKETING SERVICES CORPORATION (a Nevada corporation) and/or HARRAH’S LICENSE COMPANY, LLC (a Nevada limited liability company). One (1) of the unlawful prerecorded telemarketing calls to Plaintiff’s number assigned to a paging service promoted the Harrah’s Rincon Casino in Valley Center, San Diego County, California.

Plaintiff is informed and believes that HARRAH’S LAUGHLIN, Inc. (a Nevada corporation) owns and/or operates “Harrah’s Laughlin Casino.” Two (2) of the unlawful

1 prerecorded telemarketing calls complained of in this action were calls promoting the Harrah's
2 Laughlin Casino in Laughlin, Nevada.

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4 Plaintiff is informed and believes that HARRAH'S OPERATING COMPANY, Inc. owns
5 and/or operates "Harrah's Las Vegas Casino." Two (2) of the unlawful prerecorded
6 telemarketing calls complained of in this action were calls promoting the Harrah's Las Vegas
7 Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada.
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10 Plaintiff is informed and believes that HBR REALTY COMPANY, Inc. (a Nevada
11 corporation) owns "Harrah's Council Bluffs Casino." One (1) of the unlawful prerecorded
12 telemarketing calls complained of in this action was a call promoting the Harrah's Council Bluffs
13 Casino in Council Bluffs, Iowa.
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16 Plaintiff is informed and believes that HBR REALTY COMPANY, Inc. (a Nevada
17 corporation) owns "Harrah's Metropolis Casino." One (1) of the unlawful prerecorded
18 telemarketing calls complained of in this action was a call promoting the Harrah's Metropolis
19 Casino in Metropolis, Illinois.
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22 Also, as stated in the Declaration of Chad Austin, attached hereto and incorporated herein
23 by reference, each of the websites for the Harrah's Casinos (Harrah's Laughlin Casino, Harrah's
24 Las Vegas Casino, Harrah's Rincon Casino, Harrah's Metropolis Casino and Harrah's Council
25 Bluffs Casino) lists at the bottom of the page "© 2007 Harrah's License Company, LLC. All
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1 rights reserved.” Therefore, Harrah’s License Company, LLC is or at the very least may be a
2 necessary party to this action.

3 **V. CONCLUSION**

4 The liberal policy of granting leave to amend found in the Federal Rules of Civil
5 Procedure would clearly be served by granting this motion to file a First Amended Complaint.
6 Granting leave to amend would also result in less expense to the parties sought herein to be
7 named because all claims against those diverse Harrah’s Entities would be adjudicated in a single
8 action, rather than in 6 separate actions.
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11 For these reasons, as well as all of the other reasons stated above, Plaintiff respectfully
12 requests that this Court grant his Motion to File First Amended Complaint.
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14 DATED: December 28, 2007

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